II In Supt. Home missions.

Journal
October 3rd to
1865.

Tuesday Oct. 3rd 1865. Mansfield O.
Today came home from meeting of East Ohio Synod — attending to a few family matters. Write to Bro. Geo. Griffin & Rev. W. A. Rupwant.

Wed. Oct. 4. Mansfield O. I had hoped to remain at home this week — or at least till Saturday evening, but on account of the contents of a letter just received from Rev. Kunkelman, I feel it necessary to go at once to the meeting of the Olive Branch Synod Indiana now in session at Fisherville Fayette Co. Ind. I leave tonight on the 11 O'clock train — thus all the interests & duties of home

must for a while again be abandoned.

Thurs. Oct. 5th Dayton having rode all night in hope of making connection here for Indiana I failed to do so & hence must delay here till evening - not an unpleasant stay however - as I have visited the Gebharts & my dear bro. Grünwald - Reached the Church near Fisherville at 8 Oclock - Weary & unwell.

Frid. Oct 6th Attending meeting of Olive Branch Synod all the day. Mission business which brought me here all disposed of to my liking - I start tonight to Mt. Vernon O. where I am to spend Sunday. Paid Rev. P. G. Bell $50 his Salary for present quarter

Sat. Oct. 7th Not being able to make connection via Columbus for Mt. Vernon

Mansfield O.
I took the northern route & reached home this morning — whence I can go to Mt Vernon tonight. Wrote to Rev. H. J. Watkins & Geo. B. Sewardorff at Canal Dover & Hon Chas. Howland St. Louis Mo. & to Mr. Geo Schumm Farmington Iowa. —
Sund. Oct. 8th At Mount Vernon O.
Preached forenoon & at night in the Lutheran Church — also lectured to the Sunday School & attended business meeting for election of pastor Rev. Shearer was elected. Have been unwell all day — in bed part of the afternoon — Preached tonight with difficulty & now have high fever — O if could have rested today!
Mond. Oct 9th High fever nearly all night rested very little — This evening met the principal male members to deliberate about the raising of

of the salary - Spent the rest of the day in visiting some persons in the country with a view to secure their cooperation with this mission. Had pretty good success. Received about $200 subscription to the Pastors salary - Returned at late - quite unwell - Am weary & sick.

Tues. 10th At Mt Vernon till noon wrote short letter to Cam. - visited some other members & solicited subscriptions to pastor's salary. But still feeling unwell could not do much - the amount however already obtained insures the sum requisite by the time the subscription has passed around. Came home this afternoon.

Wed. 11th At home - making some repairs about house.

Thurs. 12th Wrote to Ref. Stoerer

remitting $3 Sub. for Review for bro. Shearer. Working about home.
Frid. 13th At home. Wrote to Geo. W. Leisenring Treas. remitting receipts for $2.05 & my S. B. for $2.95 - the amount received from Mr. J. A. Lawrence.
Sat. 14th At home - having not been able to make arrangements to go to any of our supply points. Wrote to Rev. H. Bishoff.
Sund. 15th Forenoon preached for bro. Tenner at Northfield
Mond. 16th At home. Wrote to Rev. J. K. Booker.
Tues. 17th At home. Working at house.
Wed 18th At home. Wrote to G. W. Leisenring.
Thurs. 19th At home. Have been awaiting letters for several days from Revs. Geiger & Long so as to determine what route next to take -

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Frid. Oct. 20th At home - no letters yet.
Sat 21st No letters having come I came down to Lucas to solicit from Rev. Wiles' Charge donations to Missions.
Sund. 22. Forenoon preached at Lucas. I obtained a little more than $30 afternoon preached at St Johns & got contribution of nearly $30.
Mond. 23rd Came home - a letter from the treasurer Mr. Leisenring but none from the Missionaries. Wrote to Revs. A. M. Geiger, J. F. Shearer, & J. M. Lang.
Tues. 24th At home
Wed. 25th At home - Wrote to Revs. L. M. Koons & A. C. Wedekind.
Thurs. 26th At home - No letters from Des Moines & Bryan.
Frid. 27th Took the early train & came to Akron to make further examination & inquiry with reference to a Lutheran Mission. The

day has been most unfavorable as it has rained almost constantly. Found a few more members of our Church that I had not seen before. Lodge tonight with bro. Levi S. Harrold.

Sat. Oct. 28th At Akron. The day rainy. Visiting about town afternoon came out to bro. H. Motz. Have not been able to get any appointment made for preaching tomorrow.

Sund. Oct 29th Forenoon attended services at the Congregational Church in Akron. Evening attended preaching at the Meth. E. Church. Do not feel so well satisfied this evening as I have done nothing to-day.

Mond Oct. 30th At Akron. Looking about for a place to hold services in if we commence preaching here.

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I also called on one or two members that I had not been before on account of their being absent. Night at 9½ started home.

Tues. 31st At home. Wrote to Rev. A. M. Geiger.

Wed. Nov. 1st At home. Wrote to Prof. Stoever, to Mr. & A. M. Fishburn Akron O.

Thurs. Nov. 2nd At home forenoon. Wrote Fourth Quarterly Report. Sent it with Bill on Account to the treasurer. This Afternoon I go to Conference at ~~Shelby~~. Plymouth.

Frid. 3rd At Plymouth O. attending Conference. Wrote to Mr. Motz, Mr. Ibarnold & Mr. Leikeling Akron O.

Sat. 4th At Conference. Wrote to Rev. J. A. Shearer & Rev. H. Eggers. Afternoon preached preparatory discourse in Lutheran Church at Plymouth. & to Dr. Sprecher.

Sund. ~~Oct.~~ 5 At Plymouth O. Forenoon preached & aided in administering Communion. Afternoon Attended Communion Meeting at Salem & took Collection for Home missions as I had done at Plymouth in forenoon. Night preached at Plymouth.

Mond. 6th Came home from Conference.

Tues. ~~Oct.~~ 7th At home. Wrote to Revs Bishop & J. R. Williams.

Wed. 8th At home

Thurs. 9th At home Lectured in the evening for Bro. Fenner.

Frid 10th Came to Akron on the early train visited some Lutheran families here — Wrote to Revs. Kunkelman — Lang — Sherer & Geiger. Preached at night to a small audience — Felt much disappointed & now feel gloomy on account of the business of the Luther

are in attendance – only two out of 20 that I have seen & talked with here. The word was sent – I wrote 3 letters the appointment announced in Church – & I called on several families today & yet only two – How little interest our people take in the Church & in their own salvation!

Sat. 11th Wrote to Wedekind – visited some about Akron – evening preached to a few people – ~~some~~ not more than two Lutheran people present. All seem indifferent – perhaps averse ~~opposed~~ to ~~of~~ the movement. Am sad tonight – Have had a long conversation with one whom I expected to unite with us if we organized & to be prominent in the work, but it is doubtful whether he will come in at all.

Sund. 12th Forenoon preached to a small but attentive audience & administered the communion to about 25 persons

most of whom were members of the German Reformed Church - the rest of the Lutheran Church. - Afternoon not well - Evening preached again to a pretty fair number of people. Attention very good. Lodge tonight with a brother whom I had feared would hardly unite with us but I think he will now join us & will take much interest in this undertaking. The members here have now formally requested me to return occasionally or have some other brother come & preach to them. This is all that can with prudence be undertaken now.

Mond 13th Came home -
Tues. 14th At home
Wed 15 At home - wrote to Geo. W. Zeisenring.
Thurs. 16th Wrote to Dr. Morris from home -

also to ~~Rev.~~ J. R. ~~Williams~~ ~~A to~~ Meeks Ward & Keck Bryan O.

Night took the train for Chicago & the West.

Frid. Nov. 17th Reached Chicago at 1 O'clock. I am detained here till 9 O'clock.

Sat. 18th Reached Des Moines at 11 O'clock — Lodge at the Hotel. The Savery House.

Sund. 19th On coming down to bro. Wilkets this morning found bro. Geiger here having spent last Sunday among the people here. Forenoon heard bro. Geiger preach an excellent sermon — evening I preached — attendance good attention very good.

Mond. 20th At Des Moines. Forenoon — wrote to Rev. D. Harbaugh — Rev. A. Axline, & to my wife.

Tues. 21st Visiting with bro. Geiger among the Lutheran people here.

~~Tues. 22nd Visiting people~~ in the country. Write ~~consell~~ to-night – A severe cold – some fever.

Wed. 22nd Still at Des Moines – visiting among the people here – Still quite un-well – Low fever at night. Am sorely tried by the indifference of some of our people here.

Thurs. 23rd Forenoon visited some – after-noon preached funeral discourse & attend-ed the funeral of Mrs. Christ a member of the Lutheran Church, who with her family removed to Iowa from Ohio many years ago & have till within the last few weeks been living in the north part of this State. The husband & three sons have made their home here.

Frid 24th Still visiting & talking to our people of their duty – Some hard work to interest some of them

Sat 25th At Des Moines.

Sunday Nov. 26th Forenoon preached at Des Moines — & after services organized an English Lutheran Church of 25 members. We adopted a Constitution but for want of time deferred the election of officers till Saturday afternoon when we are to have Preparatory Services. Evening preached again. The audience small tonight — I came away from Church much depressed in mind. Oh what shall I do! I fear my labors are growing fruitless — & that I am growing faithless!

Monday 27th Wrote to Prof. W. S. Kessell Rev. J. R. Williams & to each of my dear little girls. Read a little. Lectured tonight

Tues. 28th Wrote to Rev. Harbaugh — to Mr. Jas. G. Ward & to my wife.

Wed. 29th Went to the country — South of town — visited some Lutheran families & preached tonight in a School House

Thurs. 30th Came into town — Commenced

soliciting a subscriptions among the people here for a Rev. Geigers support— A slow work.— Also visited some more families & obtained one more name as a member of the Church.

Frid. December 1st 1865.

Soliciting subscription & visiting— Had meeting tonight. Wrote to Rev. G. F. Stelling— Rev. H. J. Watkins & Mr. H. Reyes.

Sat. Dec. 2nd Wrote out in a Record book ~~the~~ a brief history of the origin of the English Lutheran Church of Des Moines & also transcribed into the book the Constitution adopted last Sunday. Solicited subscription— visited several families & secured a few additional applications for membership— Went to the Church a little before 2 Oclock P. M. the hour of Preparatory Services— house locked & no fire made— got the key kindled fire

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— preached & held preparatory services — then presided at business meeting at which officers were elected & also a pastor — Coming forth from the Church — found the teams arrived with Bro. Geiges good but he was detained at Farmington & can not come till Mond. So I shall be alone tomorrow. Out visiting till 9 Oclock tonight Write minutes of the meeting to-day.

Sund. Dec. 3rd Forenoon held Communion services — Installed Church officers received 6 members by letter & one by confirmation — preached & administered Communion — After services held a short business meeting — Evening preached again — Attendance good considering the state of the weather — there being a slight Snow Storm. The Lord be praised for the success that he has been pleased to grant me in this difficult work! —

Mond. Dec. 4th Wrote to my wife - visited some people who had requested me to call & see them with reference to their connection with the church.
Tues. Dec. 5th Still at Des Moines - today Bro. Geiger with his family arrived. Had a meeting with him & the Church Council to arrange definitely for his support. The Church in town is to raise $300. - & we are expecting to get $100 from the people of the little church South of the city & the Society is to pay $600. - But the arrangement with the country church not being yet made I have paid the $25 for the present quarter. -
Wrote a short report to the Executive Committee - wrote letter to Rev. Wedekind, & Rev. Hebbell - Made out Bro. Geiger's Commission to commence Dec. 1st 1865. I now await

the Stage which I am to take at 8 Oclock tonight for Monroe the present terminus of the Rail Road, 32 miles from here.

Wednesday Dec. 6th Reached Monroe at 3 Oclock this morning - Sat in a miserable Barroom till 6 then took the train for Fairfield & arrived here at 11. Oclock - called on bro. Axline & met a warm reception. This afternoon the wind rose & snow began to fall rapidly & now continues - This caused my audience tonight rather small - Still I lectured on Physical condition of West Africa. Wrote to Mr. Shearin, Burlington

Thurs. Dec. 7th Having been requested to preach a Thanksgiving discourse to joint meeting of the Lutheran & Congregational Churches, held in the house of the latter I consented & made the effort though not with satisfaction as I had but little time to prepare. - Evening lectured

on the Habits & Customs of the native Population in West Africa. Fine Sleighing where the road is broke — Audience tonight pretty good & very attentive

Friday Dec. 8th Wrote to Rev. Evans, Rev. Henderson & Mrs. Boyer.

Sat. 9th Rode in a sleigh to the country 11 miles over the large prairie, & preached at 1 O'clock to a few persons assembled in a School House — Returned in the evening — Having had a good time with that excellent bro. Axline — Lodge this evening with bro. Huntsinger.

Sunday Dec. 10th Preached forenoon in the Lutheran Church of Fairfield & took a collection of upwards of $50 for Home Missions. & also addressed the Sund. School. — Evening preached on African Missions in the Congregational Church to a full house there being a no service in the Lutheran Church — Lodge tonight with bro. Spielman.

Mond. December 11th 1865. Wrote to my wife & am now about to take the train for Burlington. Came to Burlington - called on a few persons of Lutheran descent but did not find any encouragement - Having to be at Mendota tomorrow & there being a little uncertainty about getting through tomorrow I take the train thence tonight.

Tues. Dec. 12 Reached Mendota at 2 Oclock last night; & the weather being very cold - I remained in the comfortable sitting room till morning when I called on Bro. Wynn. Am to lecture here three nights, but the weather is so very cold & stormy that I think we shall have no audience.

Have lectured to a few people - the night terribly cold & windy.

Wed. December 13th Lectured again this evening to a few persons. The weather ever growing colder & my time to reach Bryan O. & make the places on the way being short I requested bro. Harlaugh to allow me to leave tomorrow morning, which he at length agreed to, & I will leave tomorrow

Thurs. 14 Came to Chicago where I met bro. Kifell & had a long talk about Iowa matters. Will take the 10 Oclock train tonight

Frid 15th Reached Elkhart this morning at 3 Oclock - called at daylight on bro. Dolo & learn the State of our Mission here. Find it in a good condition - Bro. Dolo is doing well & is much encouraged. Wrote to Revs. Wiles & Hunkleman, from Elkhart.

Having received a letter a few days

since from bro. Henderson of Waterloo Charge Ind. stating that the people of Waterloo had not even circulated a subscription for his support & that he had ceased preaching there & had for the present confined his labors to Butler & Wittenberg churches. I therefore stopped here Waterloo City - today, visited some of the members of the Council - & called a meeting of the Council this evening. Two of the Council after promising to attend remained at home till long after the time appointed - went after them - with difficulty induced them to come - It being already late we did not adjourn till a late hour - There was no objection to bro. Henderson - all well pleased with him - Council only indifferent & a little displeased at each other - A Meeting had been called only part attended - another was call-

ed & then there remained awhile & then mutual censure followed & thus two months past & nothing was done. One proposed that a subscription be written & they would go to work & that the subscription be dated at the time bro. Henderson resumes preaching on this dishonest proposition I expressed myself a little feeling — Council finally agreed to date subscription at time the pastoral year really began — Subscription written — Who will sign first a long dispute — One agrees to be first but puts down only $20. when it ought to have been $50. Others will not go larger discussion continues. Council final ly agree to circulate the subscription & we adjourn. So I now lay down on a lounge in bro. J. C. Boyer till the 4 Oclock train comes

along.

Sat. 16th Reached Bryan O. at day break — called on bro. Ward — who with his excellent wife always receive me most cordially. Learned that my appointment for tomorrow is at West Jefferson 6 ms. north. Visited during the day among the members.

Evening rode in wagon with bro. Joseph Hepper to Jefferson — & attended preaching by a German Reformed bro. He "Made a remark before he began speaking" — Remark grew & branched into many — but finally ended — & text again announced & the preacher began "without preliminaries" — Talked with some disaffected members after this service & arranged that they should attend services tomorrow & would remain for consultation.

Sunday December 17th. Preached this morning in the Lutheran Church. Held a protracted meeting of such of the members as I could get together - Some of each party present - effected a partial reconciliation - Having no appointment tonight (The Ger. Ref. meeting going on) I came down to Bro. Weavers of the Neikirks Church - & lodge with him tonight.

Mond. Dec. 18th. Started early from Bro. Weavers to Father Neikirks Found him quite ill - talked with him a while about church matters - prayed with him & then started with his son Noah for Bentor - Called on Bro. Pet Stahl - He is anxious to have preaching willing to unite with Neikirks & willing that the three Jefferson Neikirks & Bryan shall constitute

a charge came on. Sct. Bryan having made nearly a half circle at a distance from the centre of about 5 miles. Bro. Henderson met me here this afternoon & we arranged some little matters concerning Butler & Waterloo.

Tuesday Dec. 19th. Reached home today at 2 Oclock found all well but also found a number of letters calling for help. One or two written in great discouragement & now instead of a little relief & rest & communion with my family, I have all the afternoon & evening been reflecting on these cases planning for their relief & writing letters to the disheartened Missionaries & to others who may aid us. Wrote to Geo. P. Ockershausen, Revs. Shearer & Mr. Keeper & also a circular to the Churches of East O. Synod in behalf of Mt Vernon Church.

Wed. Dec. 20th 1865. At home Wrote to Rev. M. Hunkleman East Germantown Wayne Co. Ind. Remitting him a Commission for one year dating Oct. 15th 1865 at $100 per annum & also inclosed him $25 the amount of one quarter - as he is deeply in need. Also Sent a Commission for one year commencing Nov. 20th 1865 to Rev. H. J. Watkins of Canal Dover O. - granting $100. & inclosed to him the first quarter - $25. Wrote him in detail - Wrote to Rev. C. H. Brown, of Alliance O. & Rev. J. A. Hunkleman Indianapolis Ind. To Rev. Jacob Keller Castleton Ind.

Thurs. 21st At home not well -

Friday 22 Still unwell - unable to do any thing.

Sat 23 A little better, but not able to go from home. Wrote to Rev. A. M. Geiger - to Luth Church[?] at Des Moines & to Rev. W. C. Wilson.

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Sund. December 24th 1865. At Home.
Mond. 25th At home.
Tues. 26th Came to Alliance to attend to some business connected with our Mission here. Some discouragements. Our Missionary having just been shut out of the Baptist Church in which for the past year we have worshipped. Are about to procure the use of the Presbyterian Church.
Wed 27th - Had a short meeting with the Deacons of the Mission Church at Alliance & then came on down to Pittsburgh to see if I could not procure some aid for our Missions. This evening lectured for Bro. Holl & also attended Council meeting of the Ch. & presented the request to operate for our Missions. Council could not grant permission just now, but will considered the case next meeting.
Thurs. 28th At Pittsburgh - heard Miss

Annie Dickenson lectured at 10. O.
at night took cars for Philad-
elphia.
Frid. Dec. 29.th Reached Phia. at 1. O.
Called on Rev. Hutter to see about soli-
citing aid from his people. — Also
called on bro. Graeff & had a con-
sultation with him. Tonight came
to Rev. Alberts at Germantown — He
cannot agree to my Soliciting
aid from his people now.
Sat. 30th At Philadelphia Wrote to
to Rev. Hunkleman & Rev. Whipple.
Sat. 30th Still at Philadelphia —
Wrote to Rev. Bishop, Whipple. Hunkle
man. Evening attended ~~the~~ a
meeting of the Trustees of St. Matt
hews Church to solicit the privilege
of taking a collection. He same granted.
Sund. Dec. 31st Attended Services at St.
Matthews Church — After preaching by bro.

Hutter I presented the wants of our missions & announced that the collection would be taken in two weeks. Evening preached at St. Matthews Church - after having addressed the Sunday School.

Mond. January 1st 1866.

Left Philadelphia at midnight & reached Harrisburg before day. Called at day light on bro. Stelling. At 8 Oclock started for Baltimore, to attend the funeral of Dr. B. Kurtz who died last friday. Reached Balt. at noon. Attended funeral. Evening attended meeting of the Executive Committee of Home Missions. The Commissions of Rev. Kunkleman & Watkins were confirmed. & various other business was transacted.

Tues. Jan. 2nd Came up to Harrisburg with bro. Stelling - Attended a Meeting of the

Church Council to present the wants of our H. M. Soc. Lodge with Mr Simmon.

Wed Jan. 3rd At Harrisburg. Wrote to Revs Senderling & Geiger also to my wife — Evening lectured for bro. Stelling — & now expect to take the 3 Oclock (morning) train for Altoona.

Thurs. 4th Reached Altoona at 9 Oclock this morning — laid over one train & procured & renewed pass on the Penn. R. R. & then came on to Pittsburgh by 3 Oclock. Called on some of the brethren. & expect to take the 3 Oclock train in the morning for home. Wrote to Rev. Brown enclosing $75.

Frid. Jan. 5th Reached home at noon. All well. Wrote to uncle Webb to Rev. Watkins, to Mr. G. P. Ockershausen who generously — too generously remitted me as a Christmas gift a $100 Compound interest ~~ckk~~ note. This large gift &

accept with great gratitude; but ~~tell~~ feel that I am not worthy of such love at such hands.

Sat. Jan. 6. At home till evening. Wrote to Rev. J. A. Sheave inclosing $75. to Sec. Board Sedalia Mo. & to Rev. M. S. Hinkleman & to Rev. J. A. Haugh. Came to Ashland to preach for Bro. Myers he being sick.

Sund. 7th Morning ~~preach~~ addressed the S. School & also preached & aided in administering the communion. Evening preached again. Bro. Myers ~~[illegible]~~ agreeing to take a special collection for the Miss. on a little time I explained the present state of the work & its & wants to the people.

Mond. 8th Came home. Wrote to Rev. S. M. Shaheis & Rev. Jn. Eggers.

Tues. 9th At home. Writing article for the Evangelical Review.

Wed. Jan. 10th At home.
Thurs. Jan. 11 At home wrote to Rev. Myers
Frid. 12 At home till noon - wrote to
Rev. J. C. Hough. Came to Worster O. &
preached at night for bro. Baltzly.
Sat 13th At Worster - Preached preparatory
Sermon in the afternoon - Preached again
at night -
Sund. 14 At Worster - Preached forenoon
& aided in administering Communion
Preached again at night - After morn-
ing services spoke to the people about
Home Miss. & got a collection of $35.
Mond 15th Remain here today to see
Bro. Brown of Alliance who is to preach
here tonight & also bro. Lawrence who
is treasurer of East O. Synod.
Tues. 16th Came home.
Wed 17 At home - Writing at an article
for the Ev. Review
Thurs. 18th At home - Wrote to Dr. Well
& to bro. Brauchler - Afternoon had company

ny. Evening heard bro. Kavanagh lecture

Frid Jan. 19th At home — writing — Have promised to aid bro. Conner at a meeting here for a few days — Preached tonight

Sat. Jan 20th at home. Preached tonight

Sund. 21 At home — Preached morning & evening

Mond. 22 At home. Preached tonight for bro. Fenner.

Tues. 23rd At home — not at all well.

Wed. 24th At home. Still unwell —

Thurs. 25 At home. Wrote to Mr. Buxton & Mr. McLaren & to Revs. Hiet. Hill & W. P. Rathmuff. Preached for bro. Fenner at night

Frid. 26th At home — writing at an article for the Review. Wrote to sister Leda Anne. & to ~~the~~ Rev. Goodwin. Preached at night

Sat. 27th At home till evening — wrote

to Revs. Shearer & Baltzly. Evening came over to Ashland to preach for bro. Myers who is sick.

Sund. 28th At Ashland. Preached fore-noon & evening.

Mond 29th Took the early train for Akron where I spent two hours making arrangements for holding services for a few evenings in the course of two weeks there came down to Orrville & thence to Wooster & preached here tonight for bro Baltzly.

Tues. 30th At Wooster preached tonight

Wed 31st Went down from Wooster to Fredericksburg to see my Mother & sisters & returned this evening & preached for bro Baltzly again & after preaching came on home.

Thurs. Feb. 1st 1866.

At Mansfield. Wrote to Rev.

Sels. & to Mr. Harold Mr. Vit-Kluen & Mr. Seiberling at Akron. Afternoon Came to Mt. Vernon - Wrote Quarterly Report, & made out Bill in Account. Preached tonight.

Fri. ~~Wed~~ Feb. 2nd - Visiting some of the Methodist brethren from whom our people here purchased the church in which they worship to see if we cannot at once procure the deed so as to get an appropriation from the Church Extension Society. Met the Trustees of Meth. Church & arranged for the transfer of the property by deed immediately or as soon as can be legally done. Attended preaching by Rev. Baker at night

Sat. ~~Thurs.~~ Feb. 3rd At Mt. Vernon Wrote to Rev. Hutter & to G. R. Ockershausen Afternoon came home - Preached at

night for bro. Fenner.
Sund. 4th Mansfield — Preached morning & evening for bro. Fenner.
Mond. 5th At home — writing
Tues. 6 At home — Writing.
Wed. 7th At home — Have had company nearly all day — brethren Baker & Crouse. Wrote to Revs. Geiger & Steiling.
Thurs. 8th Left home at day light for Akron. Arrived here before 10 o'clock. Spent the day in visiting among the people. Had services at night — very few present only four Lutherans after all my visiting. Am sad & perplexed to know what I should do with reference to this place.
Frid. 9th Visiting some & writing. Preached again at night attendance better.
Sat. 10th visiting a little & writing.

Preached tonight - the evening rainy - & attendance small.
Sunday 11th At Akron - Preached fore-noon - to a small number - the day very rainy. Evening preached again.
I find but little interest in church matters here - that is among our people - & there are some of the members here who I know are doing all they can to discourage the undertaking. This want of real interest is most disheartening - & among more than 20 members here with whom I have talked a great deal I have not yet heard one expression of a desire or even a thought of doing good to others - of trying to found a church here that would do good to the community & to generations to come. And though I have often spoke of this I have received no encouraging response. My heart saddens at the indifference of

our people towards the church & the cause of Christ generally

Mond Feb. 12th Came home.

Tues. 13th At home — writing — preached at night —

Wedn 14 At home writing — preached at night. Company with us.

Thurs 15th Company here. Wrote to Rev. Sels & Mr. Howe.

Frid. 16th At home — Finished writing article for the Evangelical Review —

Sat. 17th Took the early train for Alliance to go on to Canal Dover, but missing the connection here am obliged to remain till Monday. This is a great disappointment. However I can talk here to our people here & thus promote the interests of this mission.

Sund. 18th Attended services at Presbyterian Church — morning & evening.

Monday 19th Read over article for Review & mailed it to Prof. Moore — Wrote to G. W. Leisenring Treasurer & to Rev. Henderson.

& to Mr. J Buehler. Came to Canal Dover O. Met bro. Watkins the Missionary Pastor at bro. Schillings — He is not well & was glad to see me. Preached at night — Lodge with bro. Boren.
Tues 20th At Dover. Conducted a religious meeting in the forenoon & spoke briefly by way of comment on a passage of Scripture deemed adapted to the state of the church. Preached again at night — Depressed in mind today.
Wed. 21 At Dover — Conducted a Meeting in the forenoon & preached at night.
Thurs. 22nd Still at Dover. Conducted a meeting in the forenoon, & preached at night. Tonight upon invitation being given — seven persons came forward to the front seat. for special instruction & the prayers of the church.
~~Sat.~~ Frid. 23rd At Canal Dover. Wrote to Revs. Flower, Gobrecht & Goodlin to Church Council at Upper Sandusky O.
Sat 24 Preached at night.

also to Mr Shearer & Mr Brown.
Sund. 25th At Canal Dover - Preached morning & evening & lectured to the Sunday School in the afternoon.
Mond 26th At C. Dover Preached fore noon & night - a very large attendance at night.
Tues 27th Came to Alliance - Preached at night.
Wed. 28th Alliance - preached at night.
Thurs. 29th night Wrote to Rev. Watkins - to Church council at Logan O. to Dr. Morris. Preached at night at Alliance O.
Wed. March 2nd Came home Wrote to Dr. Morris - Geo. Leas - [illegible] Springer. Rev. Eggers, Rev. Winters, Rev. Wynn. Miss Webb. Rev. R. Hall.
Sat. 5th My appointments for next Sunday having failed, I remain over Sunday at home.

Mansfield O. March—

~~Sund.~~ 4th At home—Preached tonight for bro. Farmer.
Mond. 5 At home. Wrote to Revs. Kunkleman & Brodfuehrer, ~~Rev.~~ Mayer, Stover, Kepler & Klopp.
Tues. 6 At home—wrote Rev. Belo—remitting renewed Commission—to Rev. D. Axline Rev. M. Oct & Rev. Heilig N. C.
Wed. 7th Wrote to Prof. A. S. Hupall.— Came to Springfield on my way West.
Thurs. 8th At Springfield—Wrote to Rev. B. F. Crown & to Jacob Ward. Attending to various little matters.
& to wife—
Frid. 9th Came from Springfield to Dayton & thence in the afternoon to Indianapolis—to make examination with reference to the proposed German Mission here
Sat. 10th Visiting here among the people do not think the brother who is here

proposing to become the German Mis-
sionary will suit the place.
Sund. 11th Forenoon heard Prof. Sweet
preach. Afternoon spoke to L. S. School.
night preached.
Mond. 12 Started for Richmond Ind
by the 4 Oclock train to see a young
bro. Chas Steinbach, of whom I had
heard as suitable for this mission.
Spent most of the day with him
at Richmond & brought him here
with me tonight. Am much pleas
ed with him.
Tues. 13th At ~~Richmond~~ Indianapolis.
visiting some with bro. Steinbach. Wrote
to Rev. Bishop to Rev. Newman & to
my wife. Wrote application for licence
~~of~~ of bro. Steinbach by Rev. Keller Rev. of
the Olive Branch Synod. Now am
about to take the night train for
Springfield Ill. & thence to Quincy.
Wed. 14 Reached Springfield this fore-

noon. Called on Prof. Sneckotte
my old friend & spent the
day in consultation with him
about church matters - & about
the prospect at Quincy in
particular - as he is the Pres. of
the Illinois Synod.
Thurs. 15th At Springfield Ill.
With Rev. E. Miller. Wrote to
Rev Swartz Schoto Ill. - inclosing
$6.50. to pay tax on my land.
Wrote to Rev. Hamma.
Frid. 16th Came to Quincy Ill. Stopped
at Mr. & Adam Schmidts. Received
numerous letters - Called on a few per-
sons during the evening. Do not
think the prospect here half
so encouraging - or not more so -
~~there~~ as Bro. Bishop regarded it
fat Wrote to Revs. Rutherauff Bergstress-
er, & to my wife. Also, to Rev. Conrad
& Geiger. Visited some more - But

think still less of the prospect for an English Lutheran Church

Sund. 18th At Quincy - Forenoon preached in the Congregational Church - Rev. Emery pastor - Afternoon addressed S.S. same place - Night lectured on Africa at in German Lutheran Church - Rev. Liese pastor. +

Mond. 19th At Quincy - wrote to Revs. Geyer & Hanneman Mr. Hepler & Mr. Nethaut & Mr. Ward. Rev. E. Miller

Tues. 20th At Hannibal Mo. Visiting some, but found only one Lutheran family except those belonging to the German church. Wrote to Rev. Betholz, Rev. Hunkleman Mr. Schmitt & to my wife - ~~Got a free pass to~~

Wed. 21 Took early train for St Joseph - having procured a pass over the Hanl & St Joseph R.R. - from Mr. Harris. Reached Utica by 5 Oclock - & having heard that some Lutheran people reside here I stopped

intending to remain a day or two- But finding that nearly all of them have agreed to unite with other citizens here to form a Congregational Church- I have concluded to go on to St Joseph & there remain over Sunday if there are any of our people there, I therefore will take the midnight train for St Joseph.
Thurs. 22nd Reached St Joseph forenoon- Met at the Depot some 4 or 5 families of Lutherans on their way to Highland Dunaphan Co. Mo.- the principal man of whom is Joseph Klose- They promise to coöperate with me in forming a Lutheran Church. Visited the German Lutheran or rather Evangelical Church- Also a number of persons who were reported to have belonged to our church, but found them either not to have belonged to the Church or else to have permanently united with

other Churches. I will therefore return eastward tonight & on my way back to Hannibal stop at various places.

Frid. 23rd Last night - or rather this morning - reached Cameron a small town on the R. R. near which the R. R. Co. have a large lot of cheap lands for sale & this morning went out to see some of it - There is a German settlement 3 ms. South of the place, but had not time to visit it. Took cars & came down leisurely to Utica - the train halting at several places gave me an opportunity of seeing the country & speaking with the people about the depots. The little town of Breckenridge is pleasantly located in a most productive region, but the people seem to be totally destitute of enterprise - Reached Utica in the evening - Went out a little

distance in the country - returned
& now intend to take the eastward
train at 3 oclock tonight.
Sat. 24th Stopped a little time
at Brookfield - the town at
which the R. R. Co. will erect
their Shops. It is a small but
growing town - & as this is the
point on the R. R. that is nearer
to the Missouri river than any
other it may be that there will
be a R. R. made from one to
the other at no distant day.
Came on to Macon, Called on some
persons, but think that there
are now no English Lutherans
in that place. Found some Ger-
mans however - about 20 communicants
are here - apparently of good class.
They have had a Missouri Lutheran
preacher among them occasionally
for a year but now refuse to go
into an organization on their basis

I had a conversation with their Secretary - a very intelligent man - & agreed to correspond on the subject. Edward Focht is his name.
Evening came to Palmyra - Found that there are perhaps no English Lutherans here - A large German Church here is served by a Missouri Synod man, but many are dissatisfied about 20 families being unwilling to remain in the organization. To them Rev. Andrew Kolb, a German Presbyterian minister preaches at present, but he does not expect to organize a church.
Sund. 25 Morning attended services at the Pres. Ch. Rev. Hurley & afternoon attended German services of Rev. Kolb. & after his discourse spoke briefly to the few people assembled. It may be that hereafter we will be able here to form a Luth. Ch.
At night preached for Rev. Hurley friend

attendance morning & evening.
Mond March 26th Came to Hannibal wrote to Dr. Morris, visited a little. Evening took the boat for St. Louis.
Tues. 27th Reached St Louis at 8 Oclock. Procured passes on some of the Rail Roads, called on a few persons. Lodge with Mr. Shultz. Wrote to my wife & to Rev. Loese.
Wed. 28th Came to Jefferson City - called on Mr. Bitchel State Treasurer - with whom I lodge. ~~I with others~~
Thurs. 29th Became acquainted with several persons who are Lutherans & I begin to think that there is some hope of effecting an organization here after a while. This evening came to Sedalia - could get no place to lodge - except with a clerk of a drug Store - having made his acquaintance when here be

fore.

Frid. March 30th Visiting among our people here today - but find little encouragement. Some appear to be unwilling to cooperate. Alone Sad tonight. Met here an old class mate at College. John D. Scott. He resided in Saline Co. till Price's Raid when he left. His family was robbed. The tale he & his wife told me is sad indeed. Has been teaching here during the winter & now proposes to return to his home. Wrote to Rev. Kneiss - ecott. & to Mr. Whist.

Sat. 31st Came down to California - there stopped off a few hours - to make inquiry. No Lutheran people there. Evening came down to Jefferson City. Called on a few of our people. Lodge with Mr. Wm. Bishop Treasurer of State.

Jefferson City Mo.

Sunday April 1st 1866. This morning attended services of the New School Presbyterians — heard a good sermon. Tonight preached in the Senate Chamber to an encouraging number of people. But for some cause spoke with difficulty & embarrassment. After services requested those who felt any interest in the formation of an English Luth. Ch. here to remain for consultation — A number of persons remained. I explained to them the object of my visit — the position of the Gen. Syn. &c. & asked them to express themselves on the subject. Some of them did so & all seemed willing to enter or to aid such undertaking. A committee of two Wm. Whait & Wm. M. Boluk was appointed to correspond with me on the subject.

Mond. April 2nd Visited a few other Lutherans & at noon took train for St Louis.
Tues. 3rd At St. Louis - Sent off a short report to the Com.
Wed. 4th Reached Indianapolis at day light - Consulting during forenoon with bro. Hunkleman & Ohr about the proposed German Mission here. Wrote to my sister Martha. Rev. G. W. Hoover, & Rev. J. Fetheral. - Afternoon came down to Richmond - Ind. to arrange with bro. Steinbach about his ~~coming~~ going to Indianapolis, but to my great disappointment found him unwilling to undertake that work. So now it must be delayed.
Thurs. 5 Came to Dayton - Called on a number of our friends at that place & tried to enlist their efforts in behalf of missions in South West - but only measurably succeeded. Came away sad. - Evening came on to

Springfield— Called on several persons to consult about Mission & church affairs.

Frid 6th Came home found all well— thank God! & a host of letters have been reading them— many perplexing matters— Oh I feel that I cannot do this work— so little means— so few men— so large a field! my heart sinks within me.

Sat 7th At home— Wrote to Revs. S. Ling, B. F. Crane, J. M. Henderson & to Messrs. Martin Buehler, Wm M. Bolton & Edward Focht. Rev. H. J. Watkins remitting $25.— salary for Quarter ending May 20th— Also to Rev. B. F. Crane inclosing $4.35 Also wrote to Rev. H. Bolton Rev. Wm H. Harrison & Mr. Joseph Zeppler.

Sund. 8th At home. Heard bro. Ficey preach morning & evening—

Mond. 9th At home. Wrote to Rev. Dr.

Brown D. Summers, Thos. Hill. J.
M. Lang. Rev. J. H. Brown, Rev. J. A
Shearer, Rev. H. Bishop, Mr. Wm
Whitt Jefferson City Mo. Sent books
to Mr. Brickey & Mr. Wm M. Bish
op & Hon Wm Bishop Wm
Gotwald Gettysburg Pa. Rev. Robt New-
man Rev. P. Gheen & Rev. C. Baird
Tues. April 10th At home. Wrote to
Dr Conrad & Rev. Brewer.
Wed. 11th At home sick - Fever all last
night
Thurs. 12 Still unwell - have tried to
write but can do nothing with
comfort. Wrote a note to Dr. Morris.
Frid 13th A little better - but cannot
perform any work.
Sat. 14th At home - too unwell to
travel. Wrote to Mr. J. L. Brickey.
Am much depressed in spirit tonight.
Both on account of my ill health
& of the dreary prospects of our church

Sund. Aug. 15th At home not well
Mond. 16 to (Thurs. 19th At home)
Wrote to Rev. L. A. Gotwalt,
J. W. Henderson & W. J. Slonn.
Tues. 17th At Home
Wed. 18 " "
Thurs. 19 At Home Wrote to the
above brethren.
Frid. 20th Started for the East via
Wheeling. &c. Stopped at Alliance
Sat. 21st Reached Frederick Md. in
the evening.
Sund. 22nd Rode with Rev. Nindorf to
Middletown. Preached there in Dr.
Strobel's Church. ~~Presented~~ the Cause
of Home Missions. the Pastor to
take a collection in two weeks.
Afternoon Spoke briefly to S. S. at
Middletown. then rode down to Fair
view & preached there. then came
on to Frederick & preached at night.
Am weary tonight.

Monday April 23rd Came down to Baltimore- Called on Drs. Morris & McCron & Rev. Bishop to consult about Home Mission affairs. Lodge tonight at Dr. Kemps- Do not feel well.

Tues. 24th At Baltimore- Had meeting with the Committee this morning- & have adjourned to meet again tonight.-

Met again this evening- after much deliberation- we decided to recommend to the Society that it disband & that the missions now in progress & the territory to be occupied be distributed among the several district Synods.- But at the same time if the Society will not agree to a dissolution then we recommend that the Constitution of the Society be so changed as to limit the membership thereof to those who actually cooperate with it.

Wed. April 25th Aiding bro. Bishop in preparing a report to be presented at the approaching meeting of the Society at Ft Wayne. Evening heard Rev. Chas. Stork deliver a most excellent lecture.
Thurs. 26th Came to York to make some efforts in behalf of the H. M. S.— Evening lectured for Dr. Lochman.
Frid. 27th At York—not at all well—Some fever & severe cough. Fear that my ministry will not long continue.
Sat. 28th With my good friend & Bro. Menges near York. His home here is delightful & I could not today avoid contrasting the condition of his children with that of my own—But the Lord will provide.
Sund. 29th Forenoon preached at

St Paul's Church of which Rev. W. M. Baum is pastor. Presented the subject of Home Missions, which was well & skilfully seconded by the pastor & we got a contribution of about $135. with prospect of more. Bro. Baum I regard as one of our very best pastors & preachers. I have often gone to him & his people for help for our various causes & have been refused. He seems always to be ready.
Afternoon briefly addressed the Sunday Schools of St. Pauls & Rev. Menges Church. Night preached in Bro. Menges Church & took a collection of $20. for Home Missions. These people have not yet been trained to giving. though their present pastor is earnest in the support of every good cause. Wrote to H. Reyes.

Monday April

Wm. M. Bishop & to my wife.
Came to Hanover to attend the York Co. Conference.

Tues. May 1st 1866.

At Conference till Thurs. May. 4th.

Thurs. 4th Came to Gettysburg Pa. On several small errands such as to see some Theological Students & the Pastors here.

Friday 5th Returned to Hanover to remain over Sunday.

Sat. 6th At Hanover.

Sund. 6th Preached in the morning in St Marks Church Pastor Alleman - Afternoon visited & addressed Sunday School of same Church Afternoon Preached in the Old Church Pastor Yingling -

Mond. 7th Got $144. from St. Marks Church - Came to Baltimore Attended the Quarterly meeting of the Balt-

in our Lutheran Missionary Society in Aid of the German Churches & made an address.

Tues. May 8th 1866. Meeting of Ex. Com. at Dr. Morris Study.
Appropriation to Rev. J. Henderson $50.
To Upper Sandusky $100.
To Sedalia Mo. conditionally $5.00.
German Mission at Indianapolis 300
Committed to me to issue Commission as soon as the Missionary is on the ground, & to draw upon the treas.

This evening to take the cars for the west.

Wed. 9th Reached Wheeling at 4. O clock train for Alliance gone Came over to Bridgeport where I remain till morning.

Thurs. 10th Came out to Ramona where my brother-in-law George R. Smith had been temporarily into

ed & had the remains taken
up & sent by express to Spring
field O. for re-burial. Reached
home at 2 Oclock night
Frid. May 11th At home.
Sat May 12 At home.
Sund 13 at home.
Mond 14 At home.
Tues. 15th At home wrote to
Mr. Wm. M. Brown of Jeffer-
son City & to Rev. Thos. Hill Dalton
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